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MEDIA RELEASE

Man Charged with Criminal Transmission of HIV

On October 25, 2019, Marcus E. Davis, 29, of the 800 block of Greenwood Avenue, Waukegan, was charged with criminal transmission of HIV and three counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse.

The parents of a 16-year-old boy learned their son had been sexually active with Davis on numerous occasions, since the boy was 15-years-old. In June of 2019, after becoming aware of the situation, the parents notified the Lake County Sheriff's Office and sheriff's detectives commenced an investigation.

During the investigation Sheriff's Detectives learned Davis drove to the boy's Lake County home on numerous occasions and engaged in sexual acts at the boy's home. Davis also picked the boy up and drove him to his Waukegan home, where he engaged in sexual intercourse with the boy.

Further investigation revealed there was unprotected sexual contact between Davis and the boy. Davis, who was aware he was an HIV carrier, did not tell the boy until the two already engaged in several instances of unprotected sexual penetration. During the investigation, it was learned the boy contracted HIV from Davis.

The Lake County State's Attorney's Office approved charges of one count of criminal transmission of HIV (class 2 felony) and three counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse (class 2 felonies). Davis remains held in the Lake County Jail pending an initial court hearing on October 26, 2019.

Davis and the boy first met on a popular mobile dating application. Parents should always be aware of inspecting your child's mobile devices/computers to examine what applications are installed and who they are communicating with.

All suspects are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.